

NOT VOTING—19

Andrews	Kennelly	Tucker
Burton	Lewis (CA)	Waters
Chenoweth	Moakley	Watt (NC)
Clay	Rangel	Waxman
Clyburn	Reynolds	Wilson
Coleman	Sisisky	
Johnston	Stokes	

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So the motion was agreed to.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. LINDER). Without objection, the Chair appoints the following conferees:

From the Committee on National Security, for consideration of the House bill (except for sections 801-03, 811-14, 826, 828-32, 834-38, 842-43, 850-96) and the Senate amendment except for sections 801-03, 815-818, 2851-57, and 4001-4801), and modifications committed to conference:

Messrs. SPENCE, STUMP, HUNTER, KASICH, BATEMAN, HANSEN, WELDON (PA), DORNAN, HEFLEY, SAXTON, CUNNINGHAM, BUYER, TORKILDSEN, Mrs. FOWLER, and Messrs. MCHUGH, WATTS (OK), JONES, LONGLEY, DELLUMS, MONTGOMERY, Mrs. SCHROEDER, and Messrs. SKELTON, SISISKY, SPRATT, ORTIZ, PICKETT, EVANS, TANNER, BROWDER, TAYLOR (MS), ABERCROMBIE, EDWARDS, and PETERSON (FL).

From the Committee on National Security, for consideration of sections 801-03, 811-14, 826, 828-32, 834-38, 842-43, and 850-96 of the House bill and sections 801-03 and 815-818 of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference:

Messrs. SPENCE, STUMP, WATTS (OK), DELLUMS, and SPRATT.

From the Committee on National Security, for consideration of sections 2851-57 of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference:

Messrs. SPENCE, HEFLEY, JONES, ORTIZ, and MONTGOMERY.

From the Committee on National Security, for consideration of sections 4001-4801 of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference:

Messrs. SPENCE, STUMP, TORKILDSEN, WATTS (OK), LONGLEY, DELLUMS, EDWARDS, and PETERSON (FL).

As additional conferees from the Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, for consideration of matters within the jurisdiction of that committee under clause 2 of rule XLVIII:

Messrs. COMBEST, YOUNG (FL), and DICKS.

As additional conferees from the Committee on Agriculture, for consideration of sections 2851-57 of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference:

Messrs. ROBERTS, ALLARD, LAHOOD, DE LA GARZA, and JOHNSON (SD).

As additional conferees from the Committee on Commerce, for consideration of sections 601 and 3402-04 of the House bill and sections 323, 601, 705, 734, 2824, 2851-57, 3106-07, 3166, and 3301-02 of

the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference:

Messrs. BLILEY, SCHAEFER, and DINGELL.

Provided, Mr. OXLEY is appointed in lieu of Mr. SCHAEFER for consideration of sections 323, 2824, and 3107 of the Senate amendment.

Provided, Mr. BILIRAKIS is appointed in lieu of Mr. SCHAEFER for consideration of section 601 of the House bill and sections 601, 705, and 734 of the Senate amendment.

Provided, Mr. HASTERT is appointed in lieu of Mr. SCHAEFER for consideration of sections 2851-57 of the Senate amendment.

As additional conferees from the Committee on Economic and Educational Opportunities, for consideration of section 394 of the House bill, and sections 387 and 2813 of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference:

Messrs. GOODLING, RIGGS, and CLAY.

As additional conferees from the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight, for consideration of sections 332, 333, and 338 of the House bill, and sections 333 and 336-43 of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference:

Messrs. CLINGER, MICA, BASS, Mrs. COLLINS (IL), and Mrs. MALONEY.

As additional conferees from the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight, for consideration of sections 801-03, 811-14, 826, 828-32, 834-40, and 842-43 of the House bill, and sections 801-03 and 815-818 of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference:

Messrs. CLINGER, HORN, DAVIS, Mrs. COLLINS (IL), and Mrs. MALONEY.

As additional conferees from the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight, for consideration of sections 850-96 of the House bill, and modifications committed to conference:

Messrs. CLINGER, DAVIS, and Mrs. COLLINS (IL).

As additional conferees from the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight, for consideration of sections 4001-4801 of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference:

Messrs. CLINGER, SCHIFF, ZELIFF, HORN, DAVIS, Mrs. COLLINS (IL), Mrs. MALONEY, and Mr. SPRATT.

As additional conferees from the Committee on House Oversight, for consideration of section 1077 of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference:

Messrs. THOMAS, ROBERTS, and HOYER.

As additional conferees from the Committee on International Relations, for consideration of sections 231-32, 235, 237-38, 242, 244, 1101-08, 1201, 1213, 1221-30, and 3131 of the House bill and sections 231-33, 237-38, 240-41, 1012, 1041-44, 1051-64, and 1099 of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference:

Messrs. GILMAN, GOODLING, ROTH, BE-REUTER, SMITH (NJ), HAMILTON, GEJ-ENSON, and LANTOS.

As additional conferees from the Committee on the Judiciary, for consideration of sections 831 (only as it adds a new section 27(d) to the Office of Federal Procurement Policy Act), and 850-96 the House bill and sections 525, 1075, and 1098 of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference:

Messrs. HYDE, GEKAS, and CONYERS.

As additional conferees from the Committee on Rules, for consideration of section 3301 of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference:

Messrs. SOLOMON, DREIER, and BEIL-ENSON.

As additional conferees from the Committee on Science, for consideration of sections 203, 211, and 214 of the House bill and sections 220-21, 3137, 4122(a)(3), 4161, 4605, and 4607 of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference:

Messrs. WALKER, SENSENBRENNER, and BROWN (CA).

As additional conferees from the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, for consideration of sections 223, 322, 2824, and 2851-57 of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference:

Messrs. SHUSTER, WELLER, and OBER-STAR.

As additional conferees from the Committee on Veterans' Affairs, for consideration of section 2806 of the House bill and sections 644-45 and 4604 of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference:

Messrs. SMITH (NJ), HUTCHINSON, and KENNEDY (MA).

As additional conferees from the Committee on Ways and Means, for consideration of sections 705, 734, and 1021 of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference:

Messrs. ARCHER, THOMAS, and STARK.

There was no objection.

LEGISLATIVE PROGRAM

(Mr. BONIOR asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. BONIOR. Mr. Speaker, I yield to the distinguished majority leader for purposes of asking the schedule for next week.

Mr. ARMEY. I thank the gentleman for yielding.

Mr. Speaker, I am sure everybody is aware that we have had our last vote for the day and indeed we have had our last vote for the week since the House will not be in session tomorrow.

Mr. Speaker, in observance of the Jewish holiday Rosh Hashanah, there will be no recorded votes next Monday, September 25 and Tuesday, September 26.

On Wednesday, the House will meet at 12 noon, although we do not expect any recorded votes before 1 p.m. Next week we will consider the following bills, all of which will be subject to rules:

H.R. 743, the Teamwork for Employees and Managers Act;

H.R. 1170, the Three Judge Court Review for State-Wide Referenda Act;

H.R. 1601, the International Space Station Authorization Act; and

The District of Columbia Appropriations Act for fiscal year 1996.

As we approach the end of the fiscal year, it will be necessary to put together a continuing resolution to keep the Government operating. There are many variables involved in this process, and therefore we are unable to fix a firm time for the House to complete its business.

I must admit that if I had my druthers, we would adjourn the House on Friday, September 29 and start the October district work period then. However, Members should be advised that it may be necessary to continue working over the weekend and through to Tuesday, October 3. If this is the case we will adjourn no later than 12 noon on Tuesday.

Mr. BONIOR. If I could ask the distinguished majority leader what he expects in the way of appropriation bills next week. It is a week now before the end of the fiscal year, and we have not had one single appropriation bill that has been sent to the President.

We all understand that when the Congress fails to meet its responsibilities, we have to have what is known as a continuing resolution. We have heard through the rumor mill and through printed material that we have seen today that the majority is asking for a 6-week extension through the continuing resolution.

My question to the gentleman from Texas, the distinguished majority leader, would be, would it not be advisable to have a much shorter CR to keep the pressure on so we can get these appropriations bills—we only have a week to get them to the President, obviously we are not going to make it, but obviously it would keep the pressure on us to get them there, so we could finish our work and Members could return to their constituencies.

Mr. ARMEY. I say to the gentleman, of course we will be taking up the conference reports as soon as the conferences do report. The Senate I am sure will do the same. We will move this legislation as quickly as we can to the President's desk. We will probably do some next week.

The gentleman asked if I thought that maybe it would not be more advised for us to have a shorter continuing resolution than the one we expect to pass. My response is if I had thought that, I would have been bringing a shorter continuing resolution. I think the one we will bring will be appropriate to our circumstances.

Mr. BONIOR. May I ask if the distinguished majority leader expects it to be longer than 2 weeks.

Mr. ARMEY. My anticipation is that the continuing resolution will give us a period of time, approximately 6 weeks, which should be a comfortable period

of time for everybody to get their work done.

Mr. BONIOR. Do you expect to bring the TEAM legislation to the House next week?

Mr. ARMEY. The TEAM legislation is scheduled for next Wednesday.

Mr. BONIOR. Could I get a sense from the distinguished majority leader if indeed the conference appropriation bills that he expects might fall in the following categories, the Defense conference bill, the Interior bill, the Transportation bill, the Ag bill, and the Treasury and Postal Service bill, are those the likely candidates to come to the floor next week?

Mr. ARMEY. If the gentleman will yield, they certainly are in the candidates and I have expectations that the work will be completed on some if not all of them. But again I would prefer to let the committee work and look forward to their report to the House and to the Senate.

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Mr. BONIOR. Mr. Speaker, finally, I would ask the gentleman from Texas, my friend, again, if he would not indeed bring up the Dingell resolution, which would allow the public to have time to understand the Republican Medicare plan. We are asking for 4 weeks of hearings and this resolution would be brought to the floor so Members could understand and absorb it.

There are major, major, significant changes in Medicare in the majority's plan, and we think the country and the folks around the kitchen table ought to have the chance to absorb what is in it and we are asking to have a debate on that resolution and we ask the gentleman to bring it up.

Mr. ARMEY. Mr. Speaker, I appreciate the comments of the gentleman from Michigan [Mr. BONIOR] and with respect to the question put regarding the Dingell resolution, the gentleman should be advised that no, in fact I do not anticipate bringing up the Dingell resolution.

Mr. BONIOR. Mr. Speaker, in that case I would advise the gentleman from Texas that since we are only going to have one day of hearings on the majority's direct plan, we anticipate that we will have our hearings on the lawn of the U.S. Capitol. We anticipate those hearings to commence tomorrow and will continue throughout the following week, so that the American people will have the right to understand and know that we are changing Medicare as we know it, and we are doing it not to save Medicare or to reduce the budget, but to provide tax cuts for the wealthiest people in our society.

Mrs. SCHROEDER. Mr. Speaker, will the gentleman yield?

Mr. BONIOR. I yield to the gentleman from Colorado.

Mrs. SCHROEDER. Mr. Speaker, would it be possible, would there be any period of time that the gentleman from Texas would agree to extend? I mean, I am sure the gentleman from

Michigan [Mr. DINGELL] would not want to cut the 4 weeks down, but would the gentleman from Texas agree to maybe 2 weeks or maybe 3 weeks or something? We have over 21 cosponsors who really feel that we need more than 1 day.

Mr. ARMEY. Mr. Speaker, I appreciate the gentlewoman's comments. In light of the fact that we have had over 30 hearings on Medicare already this year, we see no need, as you allege. But I would suggest that should the minority come up with a Medicare bill, we would certainly be willing to give some consideration to hearings on that bill, or make a place for that bill in the proceedings.

To this point, I have not seen even so much as an inkling of such a bill and, therefore, see no good reason to slow down continued progress on the bill that our side of the aisle has been working on.

Mrs. SCHROEDER. Mr. Speaker, would the gentleman from Michigan yield further? That is our problem. We have not seen so much as an inkling of a bill from the majority side. We understand there is like a 60-page concept paper, but the hearings would be there tomorrow and there is still no real there there.

Mr. Speaker, I think it is interesting. I know the best defense is an offense, but really we have been waiting to find out what the real bill is. We still do not know, and there have not been any hearings on the real bill because there is no real bill yet.

Mr. ARMEY. Mr. Speaker, I appreciate the comments of the gentlewoman from Colorado [Mrs. SCHROEDER] and the fact of the matter is that we do have a good deal of communication going on with the committees. We will continue to move on as scheduled.

It is, of course, always a difficult proposition for the minority when they do not participate in the process very actively. The frustrations are real and I do appreciate their frustrations, but we do have a schedule and we will be moving on with it.

Mr. BONIOR. Mr. Speaker, in conclusion, I would just invite my friend from Texas to join us on the lawn as the American people come and testify on this particular bill and problem that we have before us in this Congress. We will be meeting tomorrow on the lawn of the U.S. Capitol to have hearings on this important issue.

Mr. ARMEY. Mr. Speaker, would the gentleman yield?

Mr. BONIOR. I yield to the gentleman from Texas.

Mr. ARMEY. Mr. Speaker, I appreciate the invitation of the gentleman from Michigan [Mr. BONIOR]; unfortunately, I will be back in Texas speaking to my constituents tomorrow.

Mr. BONIOR. Mr. Speaker, we wish the gentleman a good voyage.